

Instructions for Ballast Water (BW) Log

Name of Vessel, Flag, IMO Number, Ballast Tank Number, Ballast Tank Capacity

State Date - Date the BW operation started.

Start Time - Time the BW operation started

Location - The Port or Lat.-Long of the vessel when the BW operation started.

Initial Volume - The volume of BW that was in the tank before the operation started.
Metric Tons – MT or Cubic Meters – m³

Ending Point - When the BW operation was completed.

End Date – Date the BW operation was completed.

End Time - Time the BW operation was completed.

Location - The Port or Lat.-Long of the vessel when the BW operation finished.

End Volume - The final volume in the tank at the end of the BW operation.
Metric Tons – MT or Cubic Meters – m³

Pump - Operation involved, (L) Load or (D) Discharge, (IT) Internal Transfer.

Exchange Method - Method used for ballast operation (E/R) Empty/Refill,
(Alt) Alternative Method, (F/T) Flow through,

Temp - Temperature of the water in Celsius

Specific Gravity – The specific gravity / density of the ballast water in the tank

Sea Depth - Sea depth in meters at the time of the ballast operation (note the depth only when in open sea).

PIC Int. - The Initials of the person in charge conducting the ballast operation.

Remarks - Any pertinent information pertaining to the ballast operation.

Signature - Of Chief Mate or Responsible Officer and date when the page is complete

Each ballast movement should be entered on a separate line